



Lead-Related Construction Certification Instructions for Workers

California Department of Health Services, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch
Lead-Related Construction Unit

General Information:

The California Department of Health Services (DHS) certifies people who do lead-related construction work. This application information is for **workers** only. **Workers** are people who do lead-related construction in residential or public buildings under the direction of a Supervisor. You do not need to have any previous experience to take Worker training or get certified by DHS.

For information on other certifications, call our Information Line at **1-800-597-5323** or visit our web site at **www.dhs.ca.gov/childlead**.

Getting Certified:

Follow these 7 steps to get a Worker certificate:

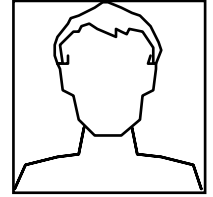
1. Take a State approved Lead-Related Construction **Work** Course. (You may take either a 24-hour or a 32-hour Work course).

Note: If you apply for certification more than one year after taking your initial training, you will need to take a 7 hour Continuing Education for Workers course. If you apply **more than three (3) years** after taking your initial training, you will need to **retake the full initial course** over again.

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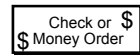
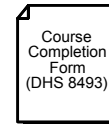
2. Submit the **pink** Course Completion Form (DHS 8493) that you got from your training provider. (Keep the yellow copy for your records. It will be useful when you renew your certificate.)
3. Include a check or money-order for \$75.00, made payable to "Department of Health Services". **IMPORTANT:** This fee cannot be returned to you.

4. Include a recent photograph of yourself. The photograph must be in portrait style, at least 2" x 2" (passport size). Do not crop the photo to get it to a 2 inch square. Write your name on the back of your photo.



Instead of a photo print, you can send a digital photo, in JPEG format and with a resolution of at least 640 x 480. Use your own name as the file name for digital photos. Mail with your application on a 3½ inch diskette, or e-mail to LeadPhotos@dhs.ca.gov

5. Your application should contain the following:



Note: There is no separate application form.

6. Mail **all** of your application materials and payment to:
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch
850 Marina Bay Parkway
Building P, Third Floor, Box C
Richmond, CA 94804-6403

You may also hand-deliver your application, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the above address. Applicants wishing to hand deliver certification applications must call us a day in-advance because of security restrictions. Please note that a "government issued identity card" must be presented for entrance to our facility. All hand delivered renewals must be in a sealed envelope with the above address on the outside.

Do not address your application to a specific person at DHS.

Please allow at least 30 - 60 days for DHS to process your application.

If you have questions about eligibility requirements or how to apply call:
Lead-Related Construction Information Line **1-800-597-LEAD** (1-800-597-5323)
(1-510-620-5694 outside of California)

or visit: **www.dhs.ca.gov/childlead**

